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February 9, 2000

Bruce Evans
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Re:

Extension Request for Submittal of Large Mining Notice of Intention, Nephi Sandstone Corporation, Cedar Springs Quarry, M/023/059, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Evans:

We are in receipt of your February 2, 2000 letter requesting another extension until the end of February for submittal of your Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations ("LMO"). We did receive your \$30,000 interim surety and reclamation contract on January 13, 2000. Receipt of the interim surety will allow you to continue mining in the seven acres already disturbed; however, you are not authorized to expand your operations outside of the existing disturbed area footprint until the LMO is received and approved. Thank you for submitting the interim surety in a timely manner.

Your request for submitting the LMO by February 29th is granted. However, this is the 3rd extension we have granted. Please be advised that your receipt of a further time extension is unlikely. If we do not receive your LMO application by February 29th, we may be forced to take enforcement action. This action could require that you appear at a formal hearing before the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining and present 'just cause' why you should not be ordered to immediately cease all mining activity and begin immediate reclamation of the disturbances associated with your site.

Thank you for your continued cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact D. Wayne Hedberg, or Tom Munson of my staff at (801) 538-5286, and 538-5321, respectively.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Wright

Associate Director of Mining